

## REMOTE PRINTER MANAGEMENT VIA EMIAL

### ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Various systems, methods, and computer programs are provided for  
5 remotely monitoring a printer status. In monitoring the printer status, one selects a  
printer status object from among a list of selectable printer status objects in a  
remote client in data communication with a printer. Thereafter, an email is  
generated in the remote client and a status request is written into the email in a  
printer management language native to the printer. The status request requests a  
10 current status of the printer status object in the printer. The email is transmitted to  
the printer through any firewalls. The printer generates a reply email that provides  
the desired status information and transmits the reply email to the requestor.